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LETTER TELLS OF TRENCH LIFE

BROTHER HEARS FROM WAR FRONT

Relative of A. M. Pringle, with Canadian Contingent in France Describes Conditions—Noises Made by German Shells Individual.

The Great War now raging in Europe is brought vividly home by a letter and post card recently received by A. M. Pringle, manager of the United Warehouse Co., from his brother who is serving with the Canadian contingent in France. Both Mr. Pringle's brother and father enlisted when the first force of Canadians was enrolled last fall, the latter serving as chaplain of his regiment. He has remained in the training camps in England but his son has been at the front for some time and took part in the spring battle of Ypres.

The letter is as follows: In the trenches, France, May 25. "At present I am lying at the door of my 'dug out' or 'booby' but ready to dive in in case a 'twilight limited' comes over. We may be relieved tonight and sent back for a few days but they may have us here for a day or two yet. Things are pretty strenuous but one soon gets used to the racket and sleeps through any old noise. It is a great sight, one I can't describe and one which I come through this all right (and I hate mud) I never want to see again. My water bottle tipped over just there with a rather disastrous result of this indelible pencil. (Referring to a blot on the page.)

Things Look Favorable.

"Things are looking very favorable through here now that the warm weather has come but the smells are just the reverse. The whole country is one vast cemetery. Right behind me as I write I can see several of the buried dead while out ahead are many of the unburied—some British but mostly German. Some day when peace is restored, I suppose an effort will be made to mark the graves but it will be an impossible task so far as most of them are concerned. To my rear and a little to the left I can see a grave with this inscription, 'In memory of 2 privates (unknown) killed May 16,' and not more than 50 feet from where I am sitting there is a Ross Rifle sticking up with a paper through the trigger guard with nothing on it but a name and we would never know except for the Ross Rifle that he was a Canadian. These out in front are in such shape after lying there as they have for weeks that they will never be known.

"I wish that for a space of five minutes there could burst on the ears of Bend's population the roar that is going on here now. Away in our rear the guns are flashing every few minutes, then in a couple of seconds there is a terrific report accompanied by the rumble of the shell over head and looking over the parapet one sees the flash of the explosion and hears the deep 'boom!' The Germans use star shells incessantly to guard against surprises. They work like a rocket though they stay in the air several seconds. They burn with

a brilliancy that suggests the use of calcium carbide in some form or other. They have them in white, red and green, the last two being used infrequently and only for signal work. At first the Pzsb-r-r of the bullets over the parapet give one a creepy feeling but they soon get commonplace and simply cause witty (al-so profane) remarks to be passed. The shells, of course, are more to be feared than laughed at though they do very little damage. The big 'Jack Johnsons' make such a noise that one can gauge where they are going to land, but the shrapnel and the

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MANY PHYSICIANS ATTEND HOSPITAL OPENING MONDAY

Three Clinics Held—Dr. A. E. Rockey Of Portland Present—To Hold Open House Soon.

The new Bend hospital, of which Doctors U. C. Coe and B. Ferrell have supervision, was opened Monday morning for the reception of patients. Three clinics were held at which leading physicians of Crook and Jefferson counties and Dr. A. E. Rockey, a well known physician of Portland were in attendance. Besides Dr. Rockey those present were Dr. C. S. Edwards and Dr. J. F. Rosenburg, Prineville; Dr. W. H. Snook and Dr. E. F. Long, Madras; Dr. X. Y. Robbins, Crescent; Dr. G. W. Snap, Metolius; Dr. J. F. Hensch, Redmond and Dr. U. C. Coe, Dr. B. Ferrell and Dr. J. W. Vandeventer, Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Donovan, recently of Iowa, and formerly associated with the Bellevue hospital in New York, arrived in Bend last week and have been engaged in preparing the hospital for the opening.

The new hospital is modernly equipped throughout. Each of the individual rooms for patients is simply, but neatly furnished. The wards have been renovated and put in proper condition for treatment of patients. Surgical accessories for the operating room arrived last week and were installed for the opening Monday.

Plans are being made by Drs. Coe and Ferrell for an open house to be held in the near future, and upon that occasion people of Bend will be given an opportunity to inspect the new hospital.

MEDICAL SOCIETY REVIVED

Crook County Physicians Meet in Bend Monday.

Attention to revive interest in the Crook County Medical Society was taken Monday afternoon by physicians of the county who were in Bend to attend the opening of the Bend hospital. The presence of Dr. A. E. Rockey, of Portland, president of the Oregon Medical Society, who delivered a talk upon various phases of the medical profession, provoked a five discussion at the session which was held at the Emblem Club.

Monday's meeting of the county society was the first held in Bend. Dr. C. S. Edwards, and Dr. J. F. Rosenburg of Prineville were re-elected president and secretary respectively.

The Crook County Medical Society has a membership of ten physicians, and efforts to meet at more regular intervals will be made for the future.

BULLETIN ADDITION BEGUN.

The contract for the addition to The Bulletin building has been let to H. O. Dimick and preliminary work was begun Monday afternoon.

BRIDGE AND DAM DONE, MILL BEGUN

RECORD TIME MADE ON CONSTRUCTION---CONTRACTORS ARE THROUGH AND RAILS ARE LAID---DION HERE TO BUILD MILL AND OTHER PARTS OF PLANT---DANIELSON TO PUT IN SHEAR BOOM

The bridge to the Shevlin-Hixon mill site is completed and rails are laid nearly all the way across. Track laying for the balance of the distance to be covered by the planing mill, to the site of the planing mill, will be completed this week and connection made with the lumber connection's logging line. The logging pond dam, a short distance up stream from the bridge, will also be completed this week, and construction of the mill itself begun. J. P. Dion, of Dion & Horskotte, who will have charge of the building, being already here doing preliminary work on the ground.

The bridge, which is built of fir timbers, is 850 feet long, with a 60 foot span over the river. On the east side the trestles are so placed as to permit a roadway to pass under on the river bank beneath, and on the west, an opening is left through which will run the lumber company's line from the woods to the dock at which logs will be unloaded into the pond. The middle part of the bridge is 35 feet above the river. The bridge and the 5700 foot spur from the main line of the Oregon Trunk are understood to have cost in the neighborhood of \$25,000.

Work on the railway spur was begun on June 10 under the direction of B. M. Howard, engineer of the Oregon Trunk, who was assisted by W. L. Stansberry as time keeper. Under the agreement with the Shevlin-Hixon company the spur and bridge were to be completed within 60 days. Finishing at this time the work is done well within the contract limit, which is sufficient to indicate the efficiency with which it has been done.

For the accomplishments in connection with the bridge building credit is due to the contractors, Nettleton, Bruce & Eschbach of Seattle who began work on June 19. H. H. Wood has been in charge, with A. C. Bruce, of the company, here a portion of the time.

Danielson Builds Dam.

Speedy construction work has characterized the dam building, as well as that of the railway spur and bridge, the first supplies being assembled on May 28 and a few men put to work. Counting from the time when the full crew of 35 men was employed the dam has been built in practically two months, the time set when the work was begun. The record is even better than would appear since unforeseen difficulties were encountered during the work, including a flood caused by the closing of an irrigation canal up river, and the necessity of going nine feet below the river bottom to find a suitable foundation on the east end of the dam and the consequent additional timber work to build up from the foundation.

The dam, with abutments, is 450 long, the abutments, to be finished shortly, being 75 feet long on the west end and 60 feet on the east. The dam itself is of timber crib work, filled with stone and planked over. Above it is built a 19 foot wagon bridge which will connect with the road to town on the east side of the river. At regular intervals sluiceways with needle gates have been put in by which to regulate the

height of water above the dam and at one point there is a log chute to permit the passage of logs to points below the dam, if necessary. With the sluiceways closed it is estimated that water will flow over the crest of the dam with a head of about one foot.

The dam has been built by M. J. Danielson, who also put in the present dam of the Bend Water Light & Power Co., and has had considerable other experience in construction work. On the completion of this work Mr. Danielson will begin on a 500 foot shear boom above the dam which will call for the construction of a number of cribs 12x14 in size and giving employment for some time longer to the crew which has built the dam.

Mill Builder Arrives.

With the railroad bridge completed work can begin on the construction of the saw mill which will be located a short distance up river from the west end of the dam. Plans for the mill have been drawn by Dion & Horskotte, lumber plant designers and builders of Minneapolis, and on Saturday Mr. Dion arrived with a crew of foremen to begin work.

Later in the week E. H. Dea, general superintendent for the Shevlin-Hixon interests, is expected, accompanied by Mr. Horskotte, and building will then begin in earnest. Pending their arrival Mr. Dion is putting up an office at the mill site and laying out the timbers and other material which has already been delivered, ready to start on the mill.

According to the plans the saw mill will be 24x180 feet in size, discharging on the bench land above the mill site into a 200 foot sorting shed. With the saw mill there will be a lathe mill 22x50 feet. Other buildings will be a saw mill power house 78x78, a fuel house, 50x10, machine and blacksmith shop 36x112, a burner 24 feet in diameter and 125 feet high, a planer mill, round house, car shop and pump house, 16 dry kilns, a stacker and an on-stacker.

Have Had Experience.

Messrs. Dion & Horskotte have had long experience in the construction of lumber plants, having been associated for years with W. A. Wilkinson, known during his life time as the best saw mill builder in the world. Just recently they have built the Libby, Montana plant owned by the Shevlin-Hixon interests and a plant at Eureka, Montana, for the Eureka Lumber Co. Their latest work has been to rebuild the plant of the Potlatch Lumber Co. at Potlatch, Idaho, from which they come to Bend.

In the list of mills in the building of which Mr. Dion has had a part is included all the mills of the Shevlin-Hixon and Weyerhaeuser companies and many others, the complete record being as follows:

Brooks & Scanlon Lbr. Co., Scanlon, Minn.; Humbird Lbr. Co., Sand Point, Idaho; White Pine Lbr. Co., Priest River, Idaho; Crookston Lbr. Co., Bemidji, Minn.; McCoy & Record Lbr. Co., Grand Forks, Minn.; Shevlin Clark Lbr. Co., Rainy River, Ont.; Barber Lbr. Co., Boise, Idaho; Potlatch Lbr. Co., Potlatch, Idaho; The Geo. Palmer Lbr. Co., La Grande

Oregon: The Rogers Lbr. Co., Enderby, B. C.; Humbird Lbr. Co., Sand Point, Idaho; Panhandle Lbr. Co., Spirit Lake, Idaho; Shevlin Mathew Lbr. Co., Spooner, Minn.; Bonners Ferry Lbr. Co., Bonners Ferry, Idaho; Virginia & Rainy Lake Co., Virginia, Minn.; Potlatch Lbr. Co., Elk River, Idaho; Shevlin Clark Lbr. Co., Ft. Francis, Ont.; St. Croix Lbr. Co., Wlston, Minn.; Kettle River Lbr. Co., Transcona, Man.; Mutchenbecker Lbr. Co., Mafeking, Man.; Shevlin Clark Lbr. Co., Ft. Francis, Ont.; Virginia & Rainy Lake Lbr. Co., Virginia, Minn.; Libby Lbr. Co., Libby, Mont.; Eureka Lbr. Co., Eureka, Mont.

FRANCHISE UP NEXT MONDAY

VOTERS TO DECIDE ON REFERENDUM

Similar Measure Defeated in the Council Last Year—Growing Belief is That it Will Be Defeated—Active Campaign is Waged.

The vote on the Steidl & Tweet electric franchise will be taken at a special election to be held on Monday. At that time the voters of Bend will decide whether competition is desired in the town, or whether they will permit only one electric utility, regulated by the Public Utilities Commission, to do business here.

The first franchise requested by Steidl & Tweet was defeated in March, 1914, by a tie vote of the council, two thirds being necessary for its passage. A second franchise was presented in March of this year, passed by the council and vetoed by Mayor Miller. The council later passed the franchise over the veto. Thereafter the referendum was invoked by a numerously signed petition and August 9 set by the council as the time for the referendum election.

The election will be held in the council room in the Johnson building on Wall street from 8 a. m. to 3 p. m. Election officers appointed by the council are, clerks, Prince Staats and O. M. Guphill, Judges, J. J. Klein, Claude Kelley and Frank Gilbert.

Following the defeat of the franchise last year the city, at the request of the Bend Water Light & Power Co., asked the state public utilities commission to investigate the investment and rates of the company and after a hearing held in May a new schedule of rates was put in force by the commission. A letter recently received from the commission indicates that a material mistake was made by it in announcing its decision which ordered that a portion of the investment not "used and useful" be placed in a suspense account. According to the commission, the valuation of the plant, of which a return should be allowed, is \$94,000 instead of \$84,000, as previously announced and the amount of the suspense account \$37,500 instead of \$47,500. No rate change involved.

A very active pre-election campaign has been waged by the Steidl & Tweet interests on one side and the Bend Water Light & Power Co. on the other. While no definite forecast of the result of the election can be made the opinion is growing that the franchise will be defeated, the longer the people study the economic question involved the stronger their belief that competition is unwise.

Another consideration which is understood to be having weight in forming opinion on the question is the fact that if the franchise is granted it will be irrevocably in effect and any evils which may come from the resulting competition can be removed only by purchase of one plant by the other, while if the measure is defeated and the existing utility fails to give satisfaction the franchise can be brought up again.

BAND CONCERTS ATTRACT BIG FRIDAY NIGHT CROWDS

Organization of 16 Members Has Had Busy Season—City and Business Men Contribute Liberally.

A pleasant feature of the summer time in Bend is the weekly concert given by the Bend cornet band. Since early spring the band has been playing every Friday night at different places in the business district, and although earlier in the season the evenings were often cold, good sized crowds have usually been on hand to enjoy the music.

The band this year consists of 16 pieces. The members and the instruments they play are: cornets, Ashley Forrest (leader), F. L. Miller, Ted Hoke, J. A. Brinkley, Robert Innes; bass, C. S. Springer; baritone, A. A. Dickinson, J. B. Godfrey; trombone, A. L. French, Fred Lucas; alto, J. E. Engerstrom, John Sather, Fred Triplett, A. A. Ueland, R. Garrish, Pearl Lynes; clarinet, D. R. French; bass drum, O. M. Guphill; snare drum, Joe McKay and Donald MacLaurin. During the last three months the band has held several special engagements, playing at Sisters May 1, track meet at Redmond May 15, May 19 on the occasion of the Shevlin-Hixon Company's announcement, Decoration Day and Fourth of July. Assisted by the city with an appropriation of \$25 a month and subscriptions by the Bend business men the band has been able to conduct its concerts, purchase new music and meet its current expenses.

BASSETT RESIDENCE BURNS

Fire of Unknown Origin—House is Partly Insured.

A fire, the cause of which is unknown, destroyed the residence of A. P. Bassett in Riverside addition on Thursday night. The house, valued at approximately \$1,700, and the furnishings, were partly covered by insurance.

Mr. Bassett, and his son Fred, were sleeping in the house at the time the alarm was given, but the flames had gained such headway that only a small amount of furniture and wearing apparel were saved. It is believed that the fire originated in the kitchen, and when discovered it was impossible, with the fire protection afforded in that part of town, to check the flames. Neighbors, who responded to save some of the household goods, found it impossible to enter the house, and efforts were confined to checking the spread of the flames to adjacent buildings and the dry grass.

The Bassett fire is the fourth which has occurred in Bend and vicinity in the last month.

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